

JOHN THE BAPTIZER ANSWERS HARD QUESTIONS

(Near the Jordan River) — John the Baptizer was preaching to the people who came out to listen to him. Soon the church leaders began to hear stories about him too. They started coming to the Jordan River where John washed people when they were sorry for their sins.

The people from the church asked John exactly who he was. They thought he might be the special person God was going to send. John could have told them, "Yes, I am God's special person. You had better give me lots of praise and honor." But instead, John told the truth. He said, "I am not the person God will send. I am only getting everybody ready for him to come. He will be much greater than I am."

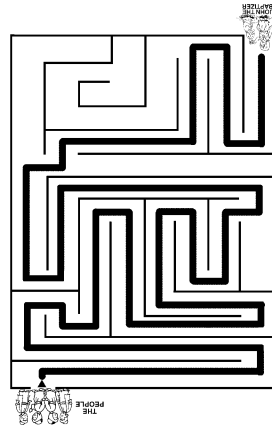
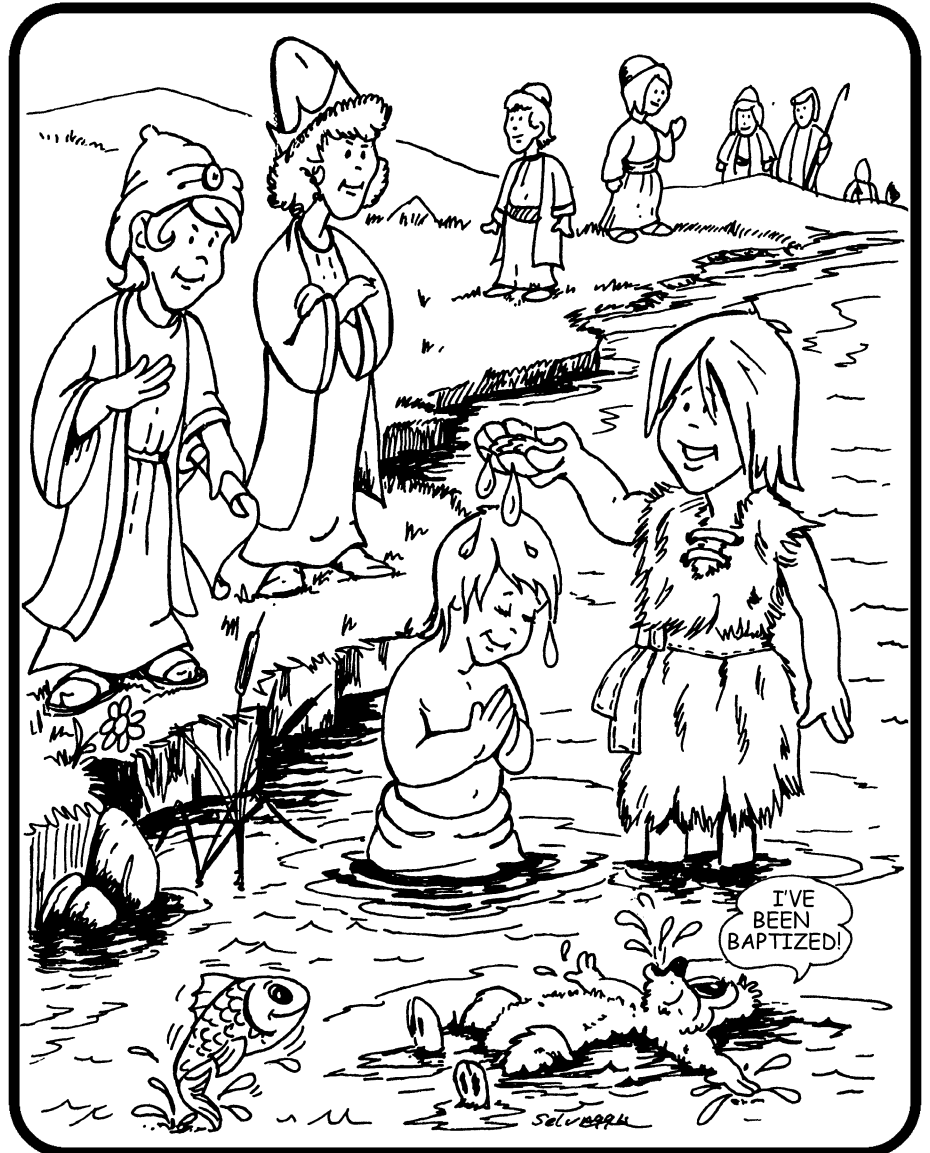
John 1:6-8, 19-28

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Gospel Grams



SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



John said that Jesus was **GREATER THAN** he himself was.

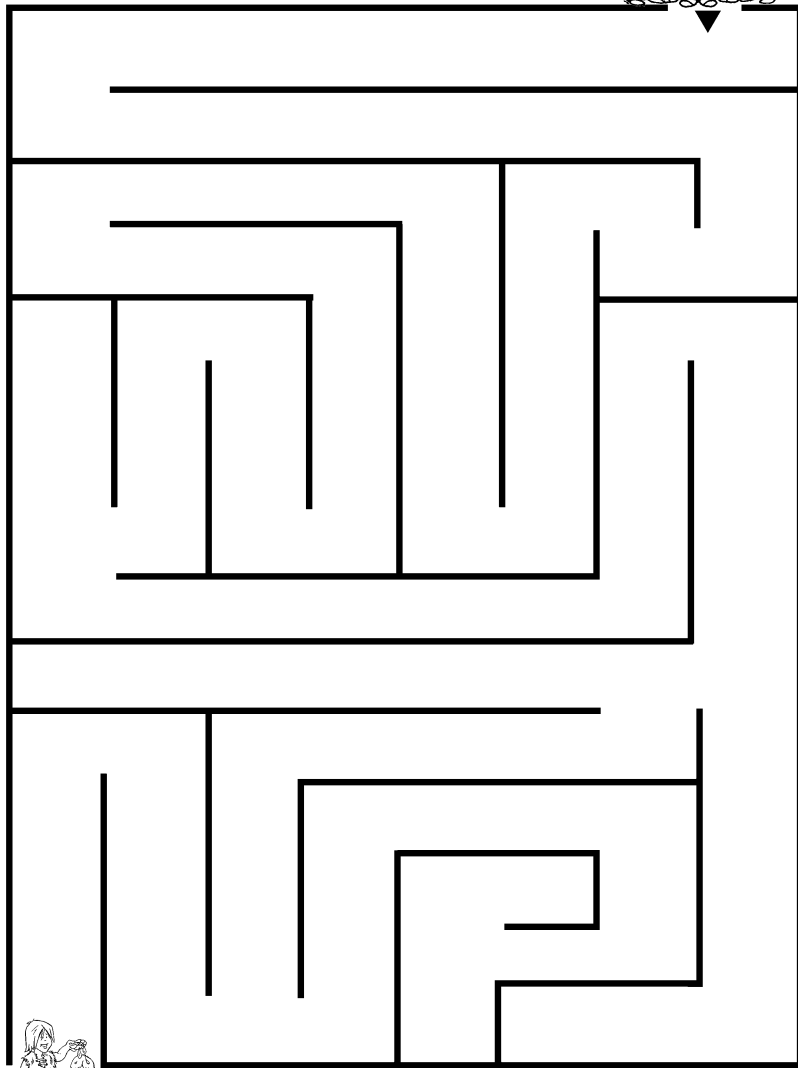
MESSAGE:

1. **GOD** sent us a special person.
2. John **PREACHED** to the people.
3. John didn't **LIE** about who he was.
4. People **ASKED** John who he was.
5. They came to **LISTEN** to John.
6. People were baptized in the **JORDAN RIVER**.
7. Some from the **CHURCH** talked to John.
8. John was only **GETTING** people ready for Jesus.
9. John did not ask for praise and **HONOR**.
10. Church leaders heard stories **ABOUT** John.
11. John was not the special **PERSON** God sent.

ANSWERS

Follow The Path. These people are trying to find their way to John the Baptizer. They know he is a famous preacher and want to listen to him. Draw a line from the people to John. Watch out for the dead ends!

THE
PEOPLE



JOHN THE
BAPTIZER

Hidden Message. Here are some sentences about today's Gospel story. Find the word in the word list that goes with each sentence and write it in the blank. The circled letters will complete the secret message. Write it in the blanks.

WORD LIST:

LIE	GOD	ABOUT	PREACHED
PERSON	CHURCH	HONOR	ASKED
GETTING	LISTEN	RIVER	

1. () _ _ sent us a special person.
2. John _ () _ _ _ _ _ to the people.
3. John didn't _ _ () about who he was.
4. People () _ _ _ _ John who he was.
5. They came to _ _ _ () _ _ to John.
6. People were baptized in the Jordan _ _ _ () _ .
7. Some from the _ _ _ () _ _ talked to John.
8. John was only _ _ () _ _ _ _ people ready for Jesus.
9. John did not ask for praise and () _ _ _ _ .
10. Church leaders heard stories () _ _ _ _ John.
11. John was not the special _ _ _ _ _ () God sent.

The circled letters complete this sentence:

John said that Jesus was _ _ _ _ _ he himself was.